Continuing Education

Continuing education credits will be offered for various professions, based on 3 hours of instruction.

Faculty

William J. Callan, Ph.D., Director Bureau of Clinical Laboratories, Alabama Department of Public Health. Dr. Callan has many years of experience dealing with both bench level and administrative issues in the laboratory.

William S. Lee, M.D., is a physician in private practice in Alabama. He is also a Lieutenant Colonel in the Alabama National Guard. In that role, Dr. Lee served in Desert Storm and is currently Commander of C Company (Med) 31st Support Battalion 31st Amored Brigade.

Charles H. Woernle, M.D., MPH, Assistant State Health Officer for Disease Control and Prevention, Alabama Department of Public Health. Dr. Woernle coordinates the Health Department's response to bioterrorism issues.



Laboratory Preparedness for Bioterrorist Actions

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Program Description

This program is designed to provide laboratory employees with general information concerning bioterrorist acts. The program is designed to make participants aware of the background of bioterrorism, the most probable agents a terrorist might employ, and the roles and responsibilities of both governmental agencies and health care providers. At the conclusion of the program, participants should be equipped to act appropriately if a specimen from a potential terrorist act is referred to their laboratory.

Who Should Attend

This seminar is designed to provide useful information for clinical laboratory employees, health care administrators, public health employees, and other health care providers.

For Additional Information

Contact the National Laboratory Training Network -Southeastern Office at:

Phone: (615) 262-6315 or

(800) 536-NLTN (6586) SE only.

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Objectives

Upon completion of the program, participants will be able to:

- Define a bioterrorist act.
- Identify the agents most likely to be used in a bioterrorist act.
- Discuss the roles and responsibilities of various local, state, and national groups in the investigation and control of bioterrorist acts.
- Review the classification scheme for laboratories which relates to capacity for handling biological agents likely to be used by terrorists.
- Describe the appropriate action of your laboratory in the identification and investigation of samples which are suspected of being biological agents.
- Summarize the procedures for safely packaging and transporting a suspected biological agent to maintain both specimen integrity and safety of all intermediate handlers.

Schedule

12:30pm	Registration
1:00	Overview
1:45	Local Roles
2:45	Break
3:00	Lab Classification
3:15	The Organisms
3:30	Transporting specimens and preserving evidence
4:00	Case Studies/Discussion
4:30	Review and Evaluate
4:45	Adjourn

Location

Taylor Center, Room 223 Auburn University at Montgomery Montgomery, AL

Registration Options

You can register one of three ways:

- Bv mail: NLTN - SE Office P.O. Box 78215
 - Nashville, TN 37207-8215 By fax to: 615-262-6441
- On-line at:

http://www.aphl.org/nltn/registration.htm

Special Needs

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